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British Council still operating in Red China

Courtesy and consideration characterised the Communist treatment of the head of the British Council in China who will leave Hong Kong today for England on the RMS *Carthage*. She is Miss Linda Greer, who reached Hong Kong from Peking and Tientsin last week en route home on retirement.

In an interview yesterday, Miss Greer said the Communists have imposed no restrictions on British Council work in China, although they have ordered the suspension of all United States Information Service activities.

British Council libraries remain open in Shanghai, Nanking and Peking, and lectures, film shows and other cultural activities continue to draw fairly representative crowds.

Miss Greer said she had originally planned to leave China on the General Gordon, but willingly changed her mind when she received permission to proceed to Tientsin to catch a Hong Kong-bound ship from there. Permission was granted before news of the Gordon's fiance reached Shanghai.

In her application she asked the Communist authorities if she could visit Peking, which she had not seen since 1948. She said it was not important that she go there, and she would understand if permission were denied. To her surprise, she encountered no difficulty whatever in securing a carte blanche to spend as many days as she wished in the ancient capital.

Peace in Peking

Miss Greer was enthusiastic about Peking under the Communists. She said the city was well administered, clean, and still a lovely place in which to live.

She said there was peace there, and the people appeared to be quite contented. There was law and order—much more law and order than in 1948 when it was still under the Nationalists.

Miss Greer said many Chinese friends came to see her, and she thoroughly enjoyed her 10-day stay. There was no question of any anti-British attitude, because she encountered nothing but courtesy, consideration and kindness.

She did not meet any Communist officials because her position as head of the British Council in China was not an official capacity. However, she stayed with British Consular representatives in Peking, and felt they were leading normal, unrestricted lives.

The foreign community in Peking appeared satisfied and not anxious to leave.

Miss Greer said she left Peking profoundly impressed with its cleanliness, orderliness, and quiet.

The old palaces, the national treasures, the parks and open spaces were well-kept. She was curious before she arrived how the Communists were treating them, but she left convinced they could not be in better hands.

In Tientsin, Miss Greer said, there's a lot of destruction. Many wrecked buildings had not been repaired, and a lot of desolation was evident.

She saw no reason to suppose that the British Council's work in China would eventually be restricted by the new Government. The authorities seemed to realise, she felt, that the Council's functions were non-political.

Miss Greer is returning to England after two years in China. Before she came here she was headmistress of Lady Margaret Hall, Cambridge. She is well known lecturer on economics.

HK CHINESE MANUFACTURERS UNION MEETING

Mr. Shum Choy-wah was re-elected Chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers Union, at a meeting of the Union yesterday to elect officials for the ensuing year.

Mr. U Tat-chee and Mr. K. L. Hsu, the two outgoing Vice-Chairmen, were also re-elected. Members of the new Committee were Messrs. Richard Der, Chow Cham-kwong, Wong Yuk-sau, Woo Yee-ching, Leung Chung-hang, Chan Chiuk-hung and Chan Kwan-hing.



MISS LINDA GREER

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

EYE-WITNESSES WANTED

Sir.—May I beg permission the use of your correspondence columns for the purpose of an appeal to any of your readers who may be able to assist me?

At approximately 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, this year, my father, Mr. T. F. Hwang, was crossing Des Voeux Road at the Pedestrian crossing, running between Mosari, Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s offices on the South and the Post Office on the North, the latter being from the South side towards the Post Office when he was struck by a tricycle and received injuries from which he died the next morning.

To date the Police have been unable to locate eye-witnesses, although at such a busy crossing there must have been many, and as we, his family, are anxious to learn the true circumstances of the accident, I appeal to any of your readers who may have witnessed the accident to communicate with me, c/o, The Editor, "China Mail." I need hardly say that we shall be eternally grateful for any assistance that may be forthcoming.

Your faithfully,
H. N. Y. HWANG.

Personalia

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday included Mr. and Mrs. A. Swanfeldt, Mrs. H. R. McBurrie, Mrs. J. M. Conjourgo, Mrs. S. S. Pupa, Miss S. Park, Misses S. W. G. Lehman, V. N. Williams, Jele Gund-Kuelein and M. Boonchoum.

NECTAR OF THE GODS

Sir.—I read, with amusement

an article in your paper of the 12th, in which it was recom-

mended, in a talk at the Rotary Club, to help relieve the present water shortage in the Colony by substituting it with "Nectar of the Gods." If it is a campaign of the Ideal Wine Market here to create a hoop (sic) for their business, they have certainly chosen a most opportune moment to launch such a campaign; but, though I am far from being an authority on the subject, I cannot quite conceive how any kind of wine, though as "delicious as it may seem, can take the place of water, which is really Nature's Drink.

The amount of water consumed by the population in the Colony, compared with its other means of usage is, I am sure, a very small percentage. What about its wastage in the washing of cars, lorries, and the watering of lawns and gardens? Just to mention a few. Is there any suggestion as to how this wastage could be saved? Don't tell me "Nectar of the Gods" again! This must have been ridiculous to other readers, as it did to myself, at the very ideal.

M. M. O.

Messrs. Agbar L. Tong, P.C. de Crespioly and R. Grafalda arrived from Manila yesterday by CPA from Manila;

Messrs. J.P. Webster, M.J. Jones, G. Wong, N.R. Moffatt, P.D. Davis and Lin Teek arrived from Bangkok yesterday by CPA.

Mrs. W. J. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. F. Coates, Mr. and Mrs. M. Etherington, Messrs. J. M. Adam, Kim Yu-cho and Kwon Pil-ju arrived from Inochon and Tientsin yesterday by the ss. Poyang.

Mrs. H. M. James, Mrs. H. G. Harker and Miss H. F. Hafford left for Yokohama yesterday by the ss. Pakhoi.

The U.S. State Department yesterday announced the transfer of Mr. Paul H. Pearson from Hong Kong to Munich, Germany, or Consul, reports Associated Press from Washington.

WEDDING DRESSES FOR AIRWOMEN

Two wedding dresses have been obtained by the Far East Air Force for the use of airwomen who may marry during their tour of duty in the Command, said an official announcement yesterday.

The two dresses are of different design, in white figured satin, complete with veil and coronet wreath of orange blossom. A fee of \$5 to cover the cost of cleaning is charged for the loan of these wedding outfits.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming weddings have been announced of Lance Corporal Ronald Cochran of the Royal Military Police, Victoria Barracks, and Private Jane Morris, Gilbert, of the Women's Royal Army Corps, 39 Macdonnell Road, and Guy de-Rod, bank agent, of 9 Forster Road, and Miss Priscilla Degroot, of 24 Macdonnell Road.

After defendant had absconded,

complainant made a check of the books and the money in the safe. The money in the safe was entrusted to defendant.

It was then found that \$3,216.80 was missing. Complainant tried to find defendant but without success. Complainant then made a report to the police.

Nothing was heard of defendant until April 8 when he returned from Macao. On arrival the public was waiting for him and he was arrested.

In a statement to the police, defendant said that he had absconded with the money and had lost it in Macao gambling. He was now without money and returned to the Colony to look for work.

In a statement to the dock, defendant said that he yielded to sudden temptation and took the money. He was sorry for what he had done and promised not to do it again.

The Frosty Moller, master of the Moller tug, declared that he believed it must have sunk.

The Frosty Moller, towed her recently from Oldham with the Linda Moller in tow.

BROTHERS ROCK BUOY MISSING

The salvage tug Frosty Moller returned to port yesterday from Macao's waters and reported that the Brothers Rock Buoy was not in sight.

Mr. P. R. Dixon, master of the

Moller tug, declared that he

believed it must have sunk.

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FRESH FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices, ranged at the Hong Kong Fish Wholesalers' Kennedy Town, yesterday were:

Other Groups.....\$2.00

Clam Pairs.....\$1.00

Clam Single.....\$1.00

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Clam Three.....\$1.00

Clam Four.....\$1.00

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Clam Eight.....\$1.00

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Clam Ten.....\$1.00

Clam Eleven.....\$1.00

Clam Twelve.....\$1.00

Clam Thirteen.....\$1.00

Clam Fourteen.....\$1.00

Clam Fifteen.....\$1.00

Clam Sixteen.....\$1.00

Clam Seventeen.....\$1.00

Clam Eighteen.....\$1.00

Clam Nineteen.....\$1.00

Clam Twenty.....\$1.00

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CINEMA WORLD



EDWARD G. ROBINSON and RICHARD CONTE
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Drama opening at Roxy, Broadway

Rating * * *

An entertaining drama featuring some excellent acting by Edward G. Robinson is now at the Roxy and Broadway Theatres. The title:

"House of Strangers." The performances of the rest of the stars—Susan Hayward, Richard Conte and Leether Adler—rank high on the list of good reasons for the picture's excellence. They bring vividness and colour to their roles and add much excitement to the film.

A startling verisimilitude resulted from the use of Italian, spoken by the supporting players who were recruited from the Italian theatre in New York, and by filming the street scenes in the heart of Little Italy in New York. Robinson as Gina Monetti, whose heart is as big as his banking methods are unorthodox has another of his hard-hitting roles. Susan Hayward in the role of Irene Bennet, a small, slip young woman who lives by her wits, tops her performance in "Smash-Up" and gives a bright sheen to the picture while Conte, as Gino's favourite son, Max, greatly adds to his star stature with a powerful performance.

Bickering and jealousy between Gino and his son flares into hatred when the father is indicted for violating the banking laws. Max is the only son who comes to the aid of his father and his efforts only land him in prison. The love affair between Max and Irene is also hectic and furnishes a vivid contrast to the internecine struggle that comes close to being a vendetta.

Director Mankiewicz effectively uses the flash-back technique in telling this stark, melodramatic story. His cast of supporting players is good. Paul Valentine, Efrem Zimbalist, Jr., Debra Paget, Esther Minciotti, Diana Douglas, Tito Vuolo and Hope Emerson are equally effective. "House of Strangers," a Twentieth Century-Fox film, is melodrama from beginning to end. Adult film fare.

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MARRIAGE

LO-WU.—The marriage between Mr. Horace Lo, son of Mr. & Mrs. M. P. Lo and Miss Merna Wu, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Wu, will take place on Saturday, April 15, 1950, at the Registry, Supreme Court. A reception will be given after the marriage at the Hong Kong Hotel, Jockey Club Room at 3 p.m. No invitation cards being issued, but all relatives and friends are cordially invited.

OUT OF THE PAST

The Peking Government has been much less precipitate in carrying out the military order requisitioning the military barracks in the old Legation Quarter than it has been in many other things. Sooner or later, of course, action was inevitable. The Legation Quarter itself is almost a unique institution: a walled city of its own within walled cities. It never quite lost the defects, and some advantages, of its unhappy ancestry in the Boxer Siege. Even its walls still bore till quite recent times the legend "Lest we forget." It had an atmosphere about it, nevertheless, singularly in harmony with the ancient capital itself—dignity, aloofness, and reminiscent of the past.

But when Peking once again became the capital—and the capital of "New China"—that harmony vanished. The city became the centre and hive of busy revolutionaries: the Legation Quarter the silent habitation of ghosts, if diplomats ever suffer such transformation. Something was bound to happen about it; but the People's Government did not make its first move till January 6. On that date the Military Control Commission in Peking issued a proclamation concerning the foreign military barracks in the Quarter. It stated that certain countries had in the past utilised the right of stationing troops "in order to occupy land in Peking and construct barracks." These barracks and other installations—presumably including the very conspicuous wireless station and masts in the United States Embassy—would, accordingly be requisitioned.

Notices to the same general effect were posted on the walls of the former military compounds in the British, American, French, and Netherlands Embassies. The Consuls-General of the three last-named Powers were ordered to evacuate the property concerned. The notices were removed, however, from the walls of the British compound a few hours after they had been posted, but the compounds of three other Powers were requisitioned several days later. Delay in carrying out the order in regard to the British barracks was presumably because the proclamation coincided with the British recognition of the Peking Government. Nothing was said at the time of the barracks, in the old Russian Embassy, but "about" the middle of February it became known that as a result of the Sino-Soviet Treaty negotiations in Moscow, the Soviet Government had agreed to surrender the military part of their compound.

It was not until April 4 that the Military Control Commission in Peking notified the British representatives in Peking of their intention to requisition the military compound on April 11. The question was taken up by the British Charge

The Dollar crisis--No. 1

BRITAIN AND HER DEFICIT

The modern Emperor no one knows

By WILLIAM MATTINSON

In an office in Broad street, New York, sits a modern emperor whose tentacles stretch round the world from Rio de Janeiro through Europe to Shanghai.

His subjects number thousands, his "dependents" millions; yet he is unknown to all save a few people who study big men and big business.

This twentieth-century emperor is Col. Sosthenes Behn, 58-year-old president and chairman of International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation—the I.T. and T.

His odd Christian name—it means "Life Strength"—is peculiarly apt. For he has grown in strength for 40 years since the day when he and his brother Hernand took over Puerto Rico's telephone system as payment for a bad debt.

At its peak I.T. and T. had fingers in pits in Brazil, Argentina, Spain, China, Rumania, Great Britain, Eire, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium and the United States.

Benefits given under Britain's health services are said to lead to malingering. There's gold in them thar hills.

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Cupid nearly got a friend of mine this week.

He had an arrow escape.

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"Certainly not," she snapped. "I'm a respectable married woman."

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At 68, Behn's hair is thin but still sandy. A sharp nose, bright eyes and a vibrant voice confute the tired stoop.

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He has an odd reluctance to be biographical.

A basically shy, depersonalized man, he is as elusive as one of his own cable currents. Married, with three children, his home is a New York hotel.

He belongs to 12 clubs and rarely uses them; is director of 21 companies and works indefatigably on all of them.

He is a pleasant man who lives only for his business and will probably dislike every word of this very much.

FORMULA FOR A QUIET Week-End...

A TICKET TO THE STATES WITH PAL

PHILIPPINE AIR LINES



One can only hope that the minor incident in the United Provinces will barely affect the India-Pakistan negotiations.

"Man charged with being drunk, incapable, freed."

The magistrate was inclined to think the whole incident had doubtless better be forgotten.

I see they're still barracking-up in Peking.

"For sale: young girl's bicycle, half used."

Which half?

Local experts again.

"There was a further drop in the American dollar... yesterday, the closing rate... being \$0.25 against \$0.04 at closing on Tuesday."

Fellow in Tokyo says he has become a Communist as an act of atonement.

American admirers of the Chinese name should not be spoken) will be conscious of a feeling of contradiction.

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SECURITY COUNCIL APPOINTS MEDIATOR IN KASHMIR DISPUTE

Sir Owen Dixon named

Lake Success, April 12. The United Nations Security Council today appointed the Australian jurist, Sir Owen Dixon, as Mediator in the Kashmir dispute.

Both India and Pakistan today expressed their willingness to accept Sir Owen as the United Nations representative.

Labour law planned for E. Germany

Berlin, April 12. Communist leaders are preparing a rigorous law for the government direction of all workers in East Germany, it was reported Wednesday night.

Communist newspapers confirmed that "planned direction of labour forces" will be written into a new act to support five-year economic plan to come into effect in mid-summer.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Otto Grönewohl, was quoted as predicting that the economic plan would "double the living standard to a height the German people have never known before."

Allied officials said the new labour law might be used to direct young East Germans to join the police army which now totals about 50,000 trained infantrymen.

Plans to expand the police army to 100,000 men by 1951 have been rumoured for some time.

The labour law is expected to be ready for passage by the East German People's Chamber next month.

Another law making housewives liable to industrial conscription is also being written. Communists claim it grants women equal economic rights with men.—Associated Press.

Kashmir mediator suited for job

New York, April 12. Sir Owen Dixon, Australian High Court Judge, today named Kashmir Mediator, is a man who has played many parts in a career of notable public service to the British Commonwealth.

Law had been his career, but outside the Bar and off the Bench, he had been diplomat and wartime administrator of vast enterprises.

Close friends and associates regard his outstanding characteristic of clear, level-headed thinking and his ability to dig down to the roots of stubborn problems as ideal for perhaps the thorniest job he has yet had to tackle.

Born into a legal family, Owen Dixon had a striking success as a lawyer in the 1920s, he was at the Australian Bar. He specialised in equity and commercial cases, becoming a King's Counsel at the early age of 30.

His appointment as a High Court Judge by a Conservative Government in 1929, was welcomed by all political parties. This followed a three years' term as Acting Justice of the Victorian State Supreme Court. Many of his judgments have stood the test of time and higher tribunals. His fearlessness in legal interpretations and in wedging commonsense to the statutes gained him a reputation as probably the soundest judge in the high court's half century of existence.

Sir Owen Dixon brought to his task besides a vast knowledge of the law, a keen mind, a sound business instinct and a high intellectual integrity.

Quiet personality

His quiet, pleasant personality is apt to belie the steely determination and patience he has always shown in overcoming objections and obstructions. These qualities were to achieve notable results in wartime tasks.

The first was chairmanship of the Central Wool Committee to which he was appointed at a time when the task was to press the huge Australian wool clips into war service for the Allies. His work for two years resulted in an organisation that clothed the major portion of Allied armies for six years of war.

The wool task overlapped that of controlling wartime Australian coastal shipping and war risks insurance, a job made difficult by the depredations of Japanese submarines in Pacific waters.

"He succeeded Mr. Richard Charles, Australian Ambassador in Washington. For two years he played a vital role in co-operating with the United States and Australian efforts to make his committee a great military and economic success," said a telegram.

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Seretse still trying to see his wife

Botswana, April 12. Seretse Khama, exiled chief-designate of the Bamangwato tribe of Bechuanaland, has made a second written application to the Government to be allowed to see his London-born white wife, Ruth, at Seretse in tribal territory.

It was accompanied by a certificate from his wife's doctor stating that in view of Mrs. Khama's state of health—she is expecting a baby in July—it was "imperative" that Seretse should see her at once.

Seretse Khama was exiled because the British Government feared that his marriage to an English girl, which had split the tribe, might cause trouble. He has been forbidden to return to tribal territory, except to gather evidence for an inheritance law-suit and to see his wife when she is confined.—Reuter.

The Council then passed without discussion the vote on Sir Owen's appointment.

1.—To help the preparation and supervision of a programme of demilitarisation in the disputed zone.

2.—Be at the disposal of the two Governments and of the Security Council in making any suggestions which they may think will contribute to a solution of the dispute.

3.—To take over the responsibilities and powers formerly held by the United Nations Kashmir Commission.

4.—To prepare for the time when Admiral Chester Nimitz can take over as Administrator of the Kashmir plebiscite.

In appointing Sir Owen, the Council also reaffirmed its earlier request to the two Governments to take all necessary precautions to ensure that the present ceasefire shall be faithfully observed.

They are also expected to take all possible measures to ensure the creation and maintenance of an atmosphere favourable to the promotion of further negotiations.

Silent tribute

The Security Council opened this evening's session with a one-minute silent tribute to the late President Roosevelt, marking the fifth anniversary of his death.

This month's President of the Council, Mahmoud Fawzi Bey, then made an appeal for action by the Big Powers.

Towards solution

After the vote on Sir Owen's appointment, Fawzi Bey said that with the appointment "yet another step has been taken by the Security Council towards the solution of the unfortunate dispute between India and Pakistan."

I am confident that those steps will eventually lead to harmony and understanding between the two countries.

It gives me great pleasure to reiterate the Council's thanks to all those who contributed towards making this progress possible, he said.

He also paid tribute to the spirit of co-operation shown by the two parties themselves. He added that the Council would note with gratification the "noble and straightforward course" which inspired the recent meeting between Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Prime Minister of Pakistan.

"The agreement they reached in Delhi," Fawzi Bey said, "merits the highest commendation from the Security Council."

Mr. Arne Sunde, of Norway, then called today's decision a satisfactory conclusion of a difficult stage in the process of bringing about peace and the settlement of the unfortunate dispute between India and Pakistan.

The agreement just reached was also a tribute to the man on whose shoulders the Security Council had now placed heavy responsibility, he said.

The choice of Sir Owen was a happy one, he added.

Mr. Sunde added that the key to the fulfilment of Sir Owen's task lay in direct discussions between India and Pakistan.

Mr. Warren Austin (United States) added that his country wished to encourage everyone in the United Nations to continue to make substantial gains for the settlement of an extremely complicated situation.

"This is a story of a notable achievement by two great countries which were suddenly confronted with a difficult problem at a time when they were emerging from a colonial status into freedom."—Reuter.

Moscow charges violation of Italian treaty

London, April 12. Russia has handed the Italian Ambassador in Moscow a note alleging violations of the Italian peace treaty, particularly regarding reparations, a Tass message from Moscow disclosed today.

The note, according to the Tass message picked up in London, alleged that the reparations due to Russia under the treaty had not been paid. It recalled the article of the treaty stipulating that reparations had to be paid by transferring Italian property in Bulgaria, and Hungary to the Soviet Union.

The Soviet note accused the Italian Government of deliberately delaying the presentation of a correct statement of the Italian assets in Bulgaria, Rumania and Hungary.

"Up to the present the Italian Government has not yet paid reparations from current production, which has a negative effect on the entire development of the Soviet-Italian economic relations. The Italian Government, explaining the non-fulfilment of its obligations with regard to deliveries to the Soviet Union on account of reparations from current production, which has a negative effect on the entire development of the Soviet-Italian economic relations.

The Tass report said: On April 10, Mr. A. Lavrentyev, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the USSR presented the following note to Signor M. Brozio, the Italian Ambassador to the USSR:

"In accordance with Article 74 of the peace treaty with Italy, which entered into force on September 15, 1947, and in accordance with the Soviet-Italian agreement of December 11, 1948, on payment of reparations to the Soviet Union, Italy has to pay to the Soviet Union reparations totalling US\$100,000,000."

The note recalled that Italy, in accordance with the peace treaty, and the Soviet-Italian agreement of December 1948, is to pay reparations to the Soviet Union both through deliveries from current production and by the transfer of Italian assets in Rumania, Bulgaria and Hungary.

The Soviet Government drew attention to the excessive delay in defining the value of the Italian assets in the three countries. This was "the result of the absolutely unfounded position of the Italian Government, which, in evaluating the Italian assets in Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania, put forward nonsensical demands, verging on absurdity."

The note said that the Italian Government sought to include among the assets a number of enterprises, the debts of which exceeded the actual value of these enterprises.

Italian estimate

The total Italian estimate of the assets of this kind amounted to US\$5,880,000, the note added.

The Italian Government was further accused of arbitrarily increasing the evaluation of assets without presenting any such proofs as could, at least to some degree, confirm such an evaluation.

The Italian Government also included in the list of Italian assets the stocks of which do not belong to Italian owners but to owners in third countries.

According to the Italian estimate, such assets amount to US\$32,085,000.—Reuter.

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FUTURE OF W. GERMANY TO BE DISCUSSED AT LONDON CONFERENCE

London, April 12.
The problem of the future of Western Germany will be one of the big issues to be tackled when the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the United States meet in London next month, it is believed in diplomatic quarters here.

Although clearly the all-important question of whether any further approach can be made to Soviet Russia on atomic control is the main subject before the Big Three Western Foreign Ministers, there is a good deal of evidence to show that the problem of Western Germany is causing serious concern to the United States administration.

The speech made in London by the United States High Commissioner in Germany, Mr. John J. McCloy, at the Pilgrims' Society dinner, underlined the great importance attached by the United States to the integration of the German Federal Republic with Western Europe.

fold aim in American policy to toward Germany; security controls and a united Europe of which Germany must be a part.

It is impossible to doubt that this pressure for the integration of Western Germany with Western Europe is inspired by the possibility of Soviet action to the East.

On the same occasion, Mr. McCloy said: "Today the West has the opportunity to unite for its own defence. Tomorrow may be too late. Today, Germany is still in a formative stage and, I believe, wants to join in a united Europe. Tomorrow, the situation in Germany and in other European countries may have taken a turn which will make action more difficult."

In fact, the problem of the relationship of Western Germany to the other Western powers, with all that implies for the defensive coherence of the West, is hopelessly complicated by duality of aim.

Power alignment

The alignment of the Western powers, in the Brussels Pact and in the Atlantic Pact, is governed by the aim of gaining security against a possible Soviet attack.

The relationship of the Allied Powers to Western Germany is governed by the aim of gaining security against a revival of German aggression.

Yet, because Western Germany lies outside the Soviet sphere of influence and within the economically linked territory of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC), the German Federal Republic is necessarily covered by the umbrella of West European and Atlantic military alliance and economic planning.

The great problem for the Western powers is to combine effective security against the Soviet Union with effective security against Western Germany.

An indication of how difficult this is—proving—is given by the hesitation and reluctance on both sides which have accompanied the

invitation of the Council of Europe to the Bonn Government to become an associate member of the West European Parliamentary body.

Numerous rumours

The numerous, and incorrect, rumours from The Hague at the time of the meeting of the Defence Ministers of the Atlantic Pact in April that Germany was to be brought into the Atlantic Pact certainly represented the ruthless logic of a certain school of thought which considers that the question of security against Germany should be sacrificed to gaining additional security against the Soviet Union.

In fact, any question of bringing the Federal Republic into the Western military pact can be ruled out for the present. But the day-to-day problems of gaining co-operation with Bonn while maintaining security restrictions will have to be re-examined and discussed by the Big Three Western Foreign Ministers.

An example of the sort of difficulty which arises was the recent proposal in the Allied High Commission by Mr. McCloy that German Inspectors should take over some of the functions of the Military Security Board for checking industrial production.

This proposal was firmly rejected by the British and French High Commissioners, who consider that the inspection rights of the Military Security Board are the keystone of post-war security against a surreptitious German rearmament.

Within sight

At the same time, it is no secret that agreement between the Western Occupation Powers on the opening of Western Germany to foreign investment is at last within sight. When agreement is reached, pressure to raise the permitted level of steel production in Germany will be almost irresistible and it is certainly expected here—that the whole question of the level of German industry will figure at the London Foreign Ministers' talks.

The existing permitted level of steel for the Western Zones of just over 11 million tons a year was reached in February.

On this question as, in the view of observers here, on so many other questions, the Bonn Government has not made it easier for the Allies to lift present restrictions.

Recent pressure by the German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer for higher steel production, for example, was reaffirmed at the end of March in an exchange of letters between the Bonn Government and the High Commission.—Reuter.

He said his own tentative plans for the meeting, and for a Big Three meeting of the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the United States, were to go to Paris for talks with the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, on May 8 and then to proceed to London for talks with Mr. Ernest Bevin.

Mr. Acheson said that M. Schuman would join Mr. Bevin and himself in London for further discussion.—Reuter.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, announced at his weekly press conference that the United States Government had asked the Foreign Ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty nations to confirm these dates for the session.

He said that Articles 43 and 108 of the Charter of the United Nations—which had been put in to avoid the fate that overtook the League of Nations—remained unimplemented.

The Security Council's duties relating to regulation of armaments had not been satisfactorily discharged. This failure had led to more destructive and more deadly armaments, burdening still further the nerves, health and economy of an already overburdened world, he added.

He further said, "We should consult more and compare more frequently notes and ideas."

"We are expected to work unceasingly and relentlessly for the cause of peace and security."—Reuter.

Although the Security Council had met 470 times in four years, Fawzi Bey said, "as compared to only about 60 meetings in over 20 years of the Council of the League of Nations, the structure of world peace and security remains as shaky today as only an ill-wisher would want it to be."

The President referred to the Security Council's power to hold periodic meetings, at which each of its members may be represented by a member of the Govern-

Shock gun from Germany



A German technician has invented a variation of the water pistol which he claims to be an effective weapon against thugs and cash-men. The pocket-size gun is loaded with a rubber cartridge containing a solution which irritates the eyes and throat. Its sticky qualities and bright colour enable police to identify easily any upon whom it is used. Photo shows the technician in a dark setting.—Associated Press Photo.

U.N. Council President's call for revitalisation

Lake Success, April 12.
Mahomoud Fawzi Bey, President of the United Nations Security Council for April, said today that the time had come for the United Nations to revitalise its work and "do something more positive than what we have been doing so far for world peace and security".

Making a general statement on international peace and security in the Security Council before it discussed the Indian-Pakistan Kashmir dispute, Fawzi Bey said:

"It is an open secret that the world is passing through a period of tension and anxiety. It is equally obvious that many are those who feel that the United Nations and, more particularly, the Security Council, have not so far adequately fulfilled in this respect their mandate under the Charter."

Fawzi Bey said that there had been very serious deficiencies, shortcomings, and gaps in the Security Council's work since its inception.

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ment or by some other specially designated representative.

"There have been, it is true, some great efforts made by the Security Council and by other organs of the United Nations. Such efforts have, however, been too often stalemates by various factors, and especially by the lack of agreement between the permanent members of the Security Council, whose agreement is essential to the success of our organisation," Fawzi Bey continued.

Matters of peace and security were not a monopoly of these permanent members, but indeed were "matters belonging to all of us, the people of the United Nations, and the people of the whole world," he added.

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VATICAN REPORT ON POLAND

Vatican City, April 12.
The Vatican tonight broke its long silence on the state of Catholicism in Poland with a bitter report claiming that the Communist Government is enslaving and wiping out 21,000,000 Polish Catholics.

The Vatican newspaper "Osservatore Romano" devoted a full page and half to the subject, with more than 14,000 words of documented evidence and letters of protest on the Church situation in Poland.—United Press.

Malaya's squatter problem

Singapore, April 12.
Will Malaya's hot anti-Communist war last two years?

Malaysians aired that question on Wednesday following the release of a Government report on the resettlement of Chinese squatters (plantation owners).

Officials have repeatedly said that the Government cannot hope to smash the Communist guerrillas in Malaya's jungles unless they cut off their support and supplies.

The Communists' main support officials have often said, are the Chinese squatters scattered throughout the Federation. The Government has been slowly and steadily bringing them under control and protection.

Some 300,000 have still to be shifted to resettlement areas away from the bandits, the Government report said.

Johore State, leading in the resettlement programme, is aiming at shifting 1,000 families a month. There are 63,000 families yet to be moved.

Two years job

If four other states, heavily populated with squatters, do as well, it would take two years to do the job.

The report did not forecast how long the job would take. So far, fewer than 19,000 have been dealt with.

The report said: "There is ample evidence in recovered Communist documents to show that the squatter resettlement schemes are regarded as a major threat to their survival." It said that the Communists are urging the squatters not to move and admitted that the squatters did not want to move for fear of reprisals from the Communists.

In addition to the resettlement, more than 4,000 squatters are being held in detention camps for aiding the bandits. Seven hundred have been deported to China for the same reason.—Associated Press.

BRITISH BARRACKS SEIZURE

London, April 12.
The British Foreign Office said on Wednesday it is unlikely any difficulties will arise from the seizure by Chinese Communists of the military compound adjoining the British Embassy in Peking.

No military detachment had been stationed in the compound for years. Britain, which has recognised the Peking Government, was ready to negotiate over possession of the property when the Communist Military Control Commission moved in on Tuesday.

The Communists posted notices earlier this month that they were taking over the U.S., French, Dutch and British compounds. The others were seized within a few days. Britain's was taken over on Tuesday.

The United States protested to the Communists against the loss of its property.—Associated Press.

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INDIA RELUCTANT TO JOIN PROPOSED PACIFIC ALLIANCE

JAPANESE SUICIDE RATE UP

Tokyo, April 12. The Japanese, whose addiction to spectacular forms of self-destruction is world famous, are committing suicide at a higher rate today than ever before.

Economic distress, not thwarted love or an imagined offence to the emperor, is the reason given for 74 per cent of more than 100 Tokyo suicides a month, according to the metropolitan police.

National statistics vary, but the "Asahi," one of Japan's leading newspapers, claims that 20 Japanese a day have taken their own lives since the first of the year—a total of 1,600 suicides for the nation up till March 1. This is twice the wartime rate, the "Asahi" says.

Many Japanese blame the Government, and indirectly the Occupation, for the rigid enforcement of a high tax rate, wage freezing, and the "tight money" situation which are said to cause most of the "economic" suicides.

While admitting that there is acute distress in some regions of Japan, SCAP economists who are enforcing the "austerity" programme laid down by the Detroit banker, Mr. Joseph Dodge, claim it has halted inflation, balanced the budget, stabilised the nation's economy, and lowered the cost of living.

Unlike the traditional forms of hara kiri, in which the victim plunges a razor-sharp knife into his abdomen, or together with his sweetheart leaps into a volcano, poison is the commonest form of ending one's life in Japan today.

The newspaper "Yomiuri," in a gruesome analysis entitled "The Suicide Fad," found that of 85 cases in January, 41 persons died by an overdose of sleeping tablets, 18 by cyanide, six by throwing themselves in front of trains, five by rat poison, one by hanging and eight by "unknown means."

Mass cases

Mass cases of murder and suicide are reported in the press almost weekly. A Tokyo cabinet maker, out of a job, and unable to pay £225 assessed income tax, strangled his wife and three children, then died by poison. A widow, who inherited a failing factory from her husband, sends her four children to the movies and then takes poison with her elderly parents.

Together with these cases of understandable tragedy are suicides inexplicable to the Western mind. A Japanese goes into a Tokyo bar to drown his troubles and in the course of the evening decides to end it all. The bar girl, who never saw him before in her life, joins him in a cyanide cocktail "out of sympathy."—United Press.

CHILE PRESIDENT VISITING U.S.

Santiago, April 12. President Gabriel González Videla left today for a 21-day State visit to the United States. He is travelling in the Independence, the personal plane of President Harry Truman, who extended the invitation for the visit.

Accompanying the President is his wife, the Foreign Minister, Horacio Walker, and his wife, Campos Mendez, Deputy of the Chilean Parliament, and his wife and military aides. Mrs. Mendez is a daughter of the President.—Associated Press.

Now Delhi, April 13. Though India has agreed to attend Philippine President Elpidio Quirino's forthcoming meeting of Asian and Pacific nations at Baguio, other delegates are likely to find her a reserved and standoffish guest.

Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru has made it plain that India is determined to steer her own course in world affairs and wants no entanglements "in matters which do not directly affect us" with any bloc—even friendly Asian neighbours.

Mr. Nehru said specifically that his government wants no part of any "Philippine Pact" or "Pacific Union" such as is expected to be discussed at Baguio.

At the same time, however, Mr. Nehru stressed India's wish to be friendly and co-operative with everybody, especially neighbours.

Mr. Nehru himself is not expected to attend the meeting. The Foreign Ministry said only that a representative will go if the meeting is held.

This envoy is likely to be a friendly but non-committal diplomat who will be briefed not to put India's name on any dotted lines.

Ever since an anti-Communist Panchayat was first suggested last year, Mr. Nehru has been cool to it, apparently for at least three reasons:

Too upset

1. The Orient, according to Mr. Nehru, is too upset with internal conflicts to form a common front of real defensive strength. He seems to feel that domestic reforms are a surer defence against aggression than pacts.

2. He says India does not fear Communist aggression.

3. He believes India can do more for world peace by remaining a free and neutral agent than by committing herself to any big political camp.

"I do not pretend that India as she is can make a vital difference to world affairs," he said recently. "Nevertheless everything counts in a crisis, and we want our voice and weight to be felt in certain directions for the avoidance of world conflict."

Joining a bloc would mean sacrificing some of India's freedom of action and might even lead her to war against her will, according to Mr. Nehru. He does not want his nation's voice weakened by a "me too."

In any case, Mr. Nehru has said, India could contribute little material support to any outside cause, however worthy, because she is still preoccupied with urgent problems at home.

Mr. Nehru proposes that Asian countries should co-operate in every way possible, consulting each other as problems arise, but without making long range commitments they might regret. An example he has often cited is the meeting of 19 Asian nations he called here in 1949 to protest against Dutch actions in Indonesia.

Nehru's reply

To critics who consider his neutral policy unrealistic or short sighted, Mr. Nehru has pointed out that the United States rose to power on a similar policy of no entangling alliances.

"That is the natural policy for a country newly freed and newly independent," he said.

While maintaining that Communism poses no immediate threat to India, Mr. Nehru has denied strongly that he is pro-Communist. He has used harsh measures against the small Indian Communist Party and warned that foreign invasion from anywhere would not be tolerated "anywhere on this continent."

India has announced plans to sign a treaty with adjoining Nepal to mutual defence in case either country is invaded.

But Mr. Nehru said this did not contradict his "non-entanglement" policy because the interests of India and Nepal are identical. He added he did not think invasion was either easily possible or likely.—United Press.

UNREST EXPECTED IN SAIGON

Saigon, Indo-China, April 12.

Violent political and diplomatic repercussions are expected here when the United States makes its long promised multi-million dollar loan to Indo-China.

Police and military officials are also preparing for physical violence and anti-American demonstrations, particularly if France is made the administrator of the

Diplomatic sources here believe that the American money earmarked for Indo-Chinese military aid will be given to the French while either the Bao Dai government or a Vietnamese administrative board will be held responsible for civilian aid. Both the Vietnamese and French governments have exerted pressure on Washington for control of the American loan.

Strong arguments and even threats have been made to American officials sent here to investigate the best means of strengthening the Bao Dai government.

The French argue that they are the only ones capable of efficiently using the dollars for the welfare of the country. They said it is the French army that is doing the fighting in Indo-China and it is the French government that is spending dollars daily here to fight Vietminh. Several French officials have let it be known that if France were not given the full authority for the funds they would consider it a political insult.

The more cynical French say that the loan, if given directly to the Bao Dai government, would benefit only the American car industry. One claimed, "Within a month the country would be full of Vietnamese driving new Buicks and Chryslers."

The Vietnamese are just as chagrined at the prospects of France signing off the cheques.

Puppets?

They said that if "we are not given control of our own finances it will prove to the world that we are only nothing more than a French puppet government."

The Vietnamese are embittered at the prospect of the French using the American loan purely in their own interests.

The French have deliberately delayed rehabilitating their industries in the North," complained one Vietnamese official, "as they plan on using American money while they invest their own francs in less-risky ventures in France."

A high ranking Vietnamese Army officer brought forward another point. "We should be given the right to spend the loan ourselves. It will be a terrible blow to the Vietnamese morale if we are regarded as so immature that we are incapable of handling the money. Yet in all honesty I am afraid that any new military equipment bought for the Vietnamese Army could very easily find its way into the rebel hands."—United Press.

Red attempts fizzle out

Naples, April 12. Communist attempts to stir up demonstrations and stop the landing of American arms to Italy fizzled out on Wednesday.

An eight-hour strike—called in Naples—had no noticeable effect. One group of workers did, however, stop for several hours at the spaghetti factories in the Communist stronghold suburb of Torre Annunziata.

The most serious incident took place at the Navy Yard of Castellammare, on the gulf South of Naples, where several people were injured in a scuffle between Communist and non-Communist workers.

The arms have been sent safely to the arsenals, and Premier de Gasperi has sent his personal thanks to the workers and people of patriotic Naples for their support.—United Press.

Disastrous U.S. policy in China

Midland, Michigan, April 12. The former Communist, Mr. Louis Budenz, who may have an answer to the Senator Joseph McCarthy-Owen Lattimore dispute, said today that the American policy in China has been disastrous.

Recognition of Red China, he said, would be the worst mistake the United States could make.

For much of the "soft" feeling toward China, he blamed those who have taught that the Chinese Communists are merely agrarian reformers. Senator McCarthy, Republican from Wisconsin, has charged Mr. Lattimore, a Far Eastern expert, with making such statements.

Mr. Budenz, an alert eyed balding professor, asserted that he could name 400 "concealed Communists" in the United States.

The 400 "concealed Communists" are in various organisations that control public opinion and policy. Such persons, he said, are given exemptions from Communist party membership.

Mr. Budenz, who renounced Communism in 1948 and rejoined the Catholic Church, added that anyone who names too many of these "front" members at once "gets the reputation of being wild."

For that reason, as well as for the possibility of libel suits, he avoided such charges, he indicated. The statement about the 400, he said, also appears in his book "Men Without Faces."

Mr. Budenz would offer no comment on the dispute. But he did say that he had never met, talked with or given documents to Senator McCarthy.

ANOTHER RUSSIAN WALK-OUT

Lake Success, April 12.

The Russian expert on the United Nations Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary matters today walked out in protest against the presence of the Chinese Nationalist member.

Today's Russian action brings to 16 the number of Soviet boycotts or withdrawals from United Nations bodies in protest against continued Nationalist representation.

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LIE MAY GO TO MOSCOW TO SOLVE U.N. DEADLOCK

Lake Success, April 12. The UN Secretary General, Mr. Trygve Lie, acknowledged today that he might go to Moscow late this month in a move toward ending the Chinese representation crisis in the UN. Mr. Lie told a reporter he had not decided finally whether he would visit Moscow while on a trip to Europe. But, he added, the possibility that he might go to the Soviet capital is not excluded.

Forty dead in Indian train crash

Lucknow, United Provinces, April 12.—

Forty bodies had been recovered tonight and at least 75 people were known to have been injured in an express train crash near Bitrol Station, United Provinces, early today.

Preliminary investigation had revealed that some fish-plates and dog-spikes on the track had been removed, it was reported.

The train had crashed near Bitrol Station on the Dhub-Tirhut railway about 120 miles North West of Lucknow.

The engine and five bogies were reported to have fallen into a dry bed stream as the train passed over a small bridge.

Villagers were helping in the rescue operations.

The firemen and another member of the crew were killed and the driver seriously burned.

A high railway official here this morning described the accident as an act of sabotage.

Mr. Lie plans to leave on April 22 for a meeting of the heads of UN specialised agencies in Paris. He will be in London before and during the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the United States, France and Britain, beginning on May 8.

Mr. Lie has urged the Security Council to hold a special meeting on the Foreign Minister level, possibly in Europe, and many UN delegates are looking to the big three sessions in London to answer some of the UN problems.

Impasse

The Soviet walkout over recognition of Communist China has brought about an "impasse" which temporarily "paralyzes" the activities of the United Nations, General Carlos P. Romulo said today in San Francisco.

The President of the UN General Assembly declared that the recognition question is therefore one of the world organisation's most compelling problems.

General Romulo left San Francisco at 7.30 p.m. (GMT) by Philippine Airlines for a conference with President Elpidio Quirino at Baguio. He had no comment on the nature of the conference but it was understood from other sources that it concerned the proposed South East Asia Union.

General Romulo was due to arrive in Manila at 2 p.m. (Manila time).

He carried with him 5,000 capsules of Terramycin, a new antibiotic drug. It was presented to his Government's Department of Health for experiments in the treatment of typhus, pneumonia and dysentery.—Associated Press.

Fluid in lungs causes death of wrestler

London, April 12. Fluid in the lungs caused by an unsuspected heart disease killed the 35-year-old Egyptian wrestler Hassan Raouf during air operation here last week.

This was disclosed today at the inquest on Raouf when a verdict of death by misadventure was recorded.

Two members of the Royal Egyptian Consulate, Mr. Abdul Elkhal and Mr. A. M. Fahmy, attended the inquest.

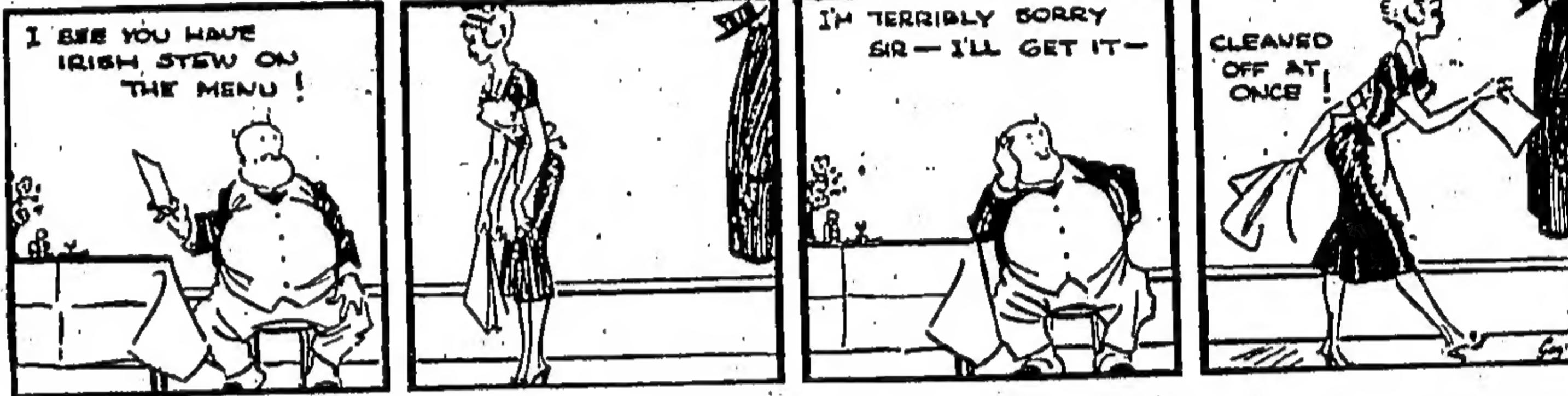
Dr. Kennedy Harper, the anaesthetist for the operation, said that 10 minutes after the operation began "Raouf's respiration became laboured and he frothed at the mouth and nose. The operation was stopped."

Raouf stopped breathing and though suction was tried and stimulants given together with artificial respiration and oxygen, he never recovered.

Dr. Harper told the Coroner that diagnosis showed acute pulmonary oedema (fluid in the lungs) "a very unusual condition which we know little about. I have never seen one before. When it occurs it is always fatal."—Reuters.

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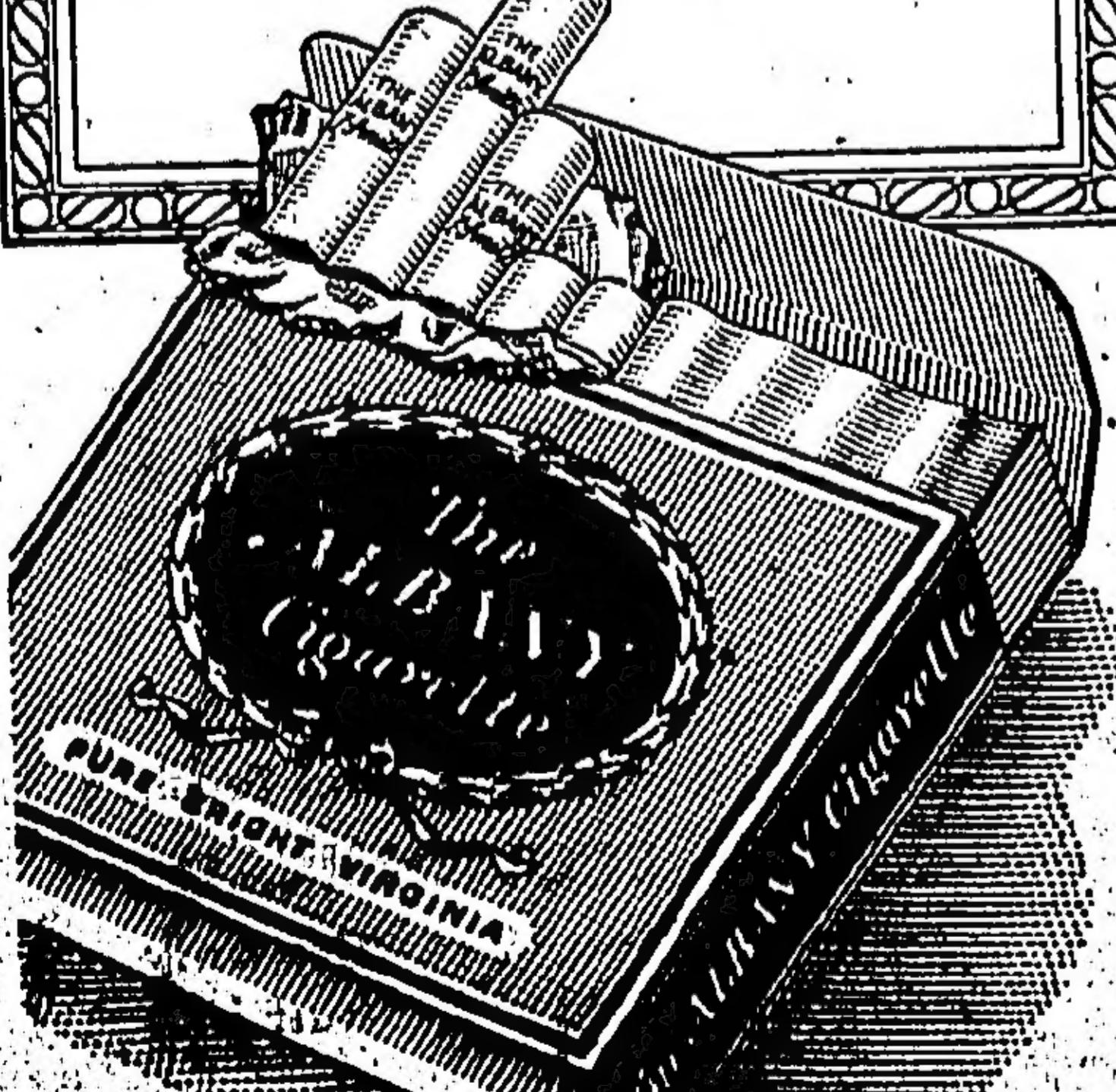
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Star Flyer (H K) English 1000 tons ex-Panamanian 2704 tons ex-Takao KIL
Whistler (Cardine) British 1941 tons ex-Kedong W.P.
Yearly (Dowell) British 2514 tons ex-Singapore KIL

TODAY

Mathew Luckenbach (URL) ex-Pacific Coast
Pacific Bear (UBL) ex-Pacific Coast
Star Alcyone (Everett) ex-Keelung 1
Phillipine (Mac) ex-Europe

TOMORROW

California (Dowell) ex-Pacific Coast
Singapore (E A) ex-Pacific Coast

Shipping Departures

YESTERDAY

Gendarde (RIL) for Aden, Pithiviers (France) (Kinching Co) for Keelung
Iadol (Wellman) for Bangkok
Indra (Wellman) for Pusan
Inchuan (Yick Yuen) for Bangkok
Socotra (Mac) for Singapore
Tjilindok (RIL) for Singapore

TODAY

Carthage (Mac Mac) for London, Mitchell Palmer (Jardine) for London
Norland (E A) for Europe
Pres. Cleveland (APL) for Pacific Coast
Badminton (Jardine) for Kobe, Ringerd (MM) for Sutton

TOMORROW

Anhui (H & S) for Kobe, Bolsevain (RIL) for Manila
California (Dowell) for Pacific Coast
Mathew Luckenbach (URL) for Pacific Coast
Pacific Bear (UBL) for Pacific Coast
Yochow (H & S) for Singapore

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Alpha Grande (Trinity) A.13

Anhui (H & S) A.4

Ajalon (H & S) Hollis, KJ

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Bust (Larsen) K.wh.

Carthage (Mac Mac) Yau

Chas. Jon (GMEN) K.D.

Chu Chang (Ming Sane) Yau

Chunghua (Jardine) Yau

Colon (Colonial) Yau

Dembighshire (Jardine) 25

Glensay (Jardine) ex-London, Tomtath (Gilmour) 26

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Carthage (Mac Mac) 29

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Lemuria (Reed) Yau

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Mausser (Jardine) D.23

Mitchell Palmer (Pattison) A.16

Nan Chiang (Eastern) Yau

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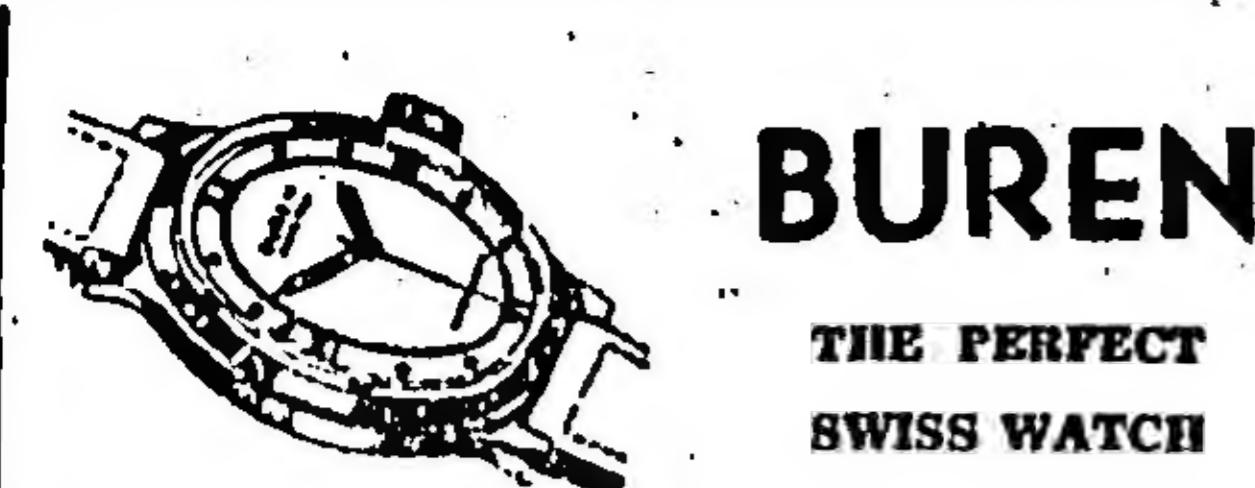
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"THE PAUSE THAT REFRESHES"
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MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS.

I. AHMED PLAYS SUPERB TENNIS TO BEAT K.H. IP

(By "ARGONAUT")

I. Ahmed, Pakistan's No. 1 Davis Cup tennis player, gave Hong Kong's tennis enthusiasts one of those rare displays of high class tennis when he beat the Colony Champion, K. H. Ip, 8-6 and 6-3 in an exhibition Singles match at the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts yesterday.

In the other Singles match of the afternoon, Hong Kong's youthful Norman Lo, after a shaky start, gave a good account of himself in the second set, extending Pakistan's No. 2, S. M. Alam, to 5-7.

However, it was in the Doubles that Hong Kong showed off her superiority, when the Tsui brothers scored a rather easy 6-1, 6-1 win over Durranji and Khokhar.

The main attraction of the afternoon was the match between Ip and Ahmed.

Although the Pakistan champion recently lost to Philippines' Feliciano Ampon and Deyro in the Singles, he holds the distinction of extending the Filipino champion to five sets in the All-Asian Championship at Calcutta last year.

In the All-India Championship, he lost to Pedro Misip in the final after a grueling five-set encounter.

He has represented his country in the Davis Cup for six years, and although handicapped by a weight of 190 pounds and in spite of his 32 years, showed that he fully merits being ranked Asia's No. 4 player.

The first three places go, in the opinion of many, to Ampon of the Philippines and India's Bose and Misra.

Particular features

Peculiar features of his play yesterday, which evoked spontaneous acclamations, were his lightning fast service that repeatedly served over his forceful full-length volleys interspersed with drop volleys and his flashing drives to his opponent's service.

In playing his usual game for six years, and although handicapped by a weight of 190 pounds and in spite of his 32 years, showed that he fully merits being ranked Asia's No. 4 player.

Ip's lack of passing shots and Ahmed's well-timed and speedy approach to the net with accurately placed volleys, gave the Pakistan player control of the major part of the game, particularly at the fore-court.

The first two games saw each of them holding his service.

In the third game, Ip brought into use his drop shot and managed to break through Ahmed's service after three deuces were called.

A beautiful forehand cross, two volleys at the net by Ahmed and an error by Ip gave Ahmed the fourth game.

Each then lost his service in the next two games, to bring the score to 3-3.

Identical scores

Ahmed took the seventh and eighth games by the identical scores of 50-30 and 50-30, only to see Ip coming back with a love game, and 5-3 to level the score at 5-5.

A neck and neck struggle ensued in the eleventh game, with Ahmed serving.

Down 30-40, Ahmed took the score to deuce, but it was not until after two further deuces that the game went to him.

Ip caught up again 6-0 on his service and another long game was soon in the 13th game.

Ip was again the first to reach game point at 30-40, but after three deuces, the visitor took the game with aggressive drive volleys.

Ip failed to hold his service in the next game and Ahmed romped home with the first set 6-0.

Although Ip won Ahmed's opening service game in the second set, the Pakistan player began gradually to dominate the play with aggressive strokes.

Loses his touch

Ip began to lose his touch and conceded two double-faults in a row, causing the driving this year was correspondingly poor.

He rallied back in the next game to reduce the deficit to 2-4 and again to 3-5, but Ahmed went into full blast in the ninth game, completing a lone game with a lighting ace.

Norman Lo, in his first big match appearance, gave a good impression, indicating that with more experience, he could develop into a first-class player.

Although not inferior to his opponent in strokes, he threw away many valuable points through repeated errors in the first set.

A slight nervousness was probably a contributing factor.

After losing the first three games to an opponent who showed much better courtcraft, young Lo gradually warmed up and carried the scores to draw in the next two games though losing some points due to all unforced

Kowloon Cricket Club tennis handicaps

The following programme of tennis matches at the Kowloon Cricket Club has been arranged, commencing Monday, April 17, at 5.45 p.m.

Court No. 1 Mrs. G. Chan and D. Chen v Mrs. E. Tebbutt and R. O. Baker.

Court No. 2 Lieut Col. and Mrs. Forward v Winners Mrs. J. Lawes and L. F. Stokes against Captain and Mrs. Robertson.

Court No. 3 R. Baker v Winner J. Leriou against C. W. Tebbutt.

Court No. 4 K. M. Getz v R. N. Manley.

Court No. 5 C. G. Martin v Winner A. E. P. Guest against J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 6 Mrs. E. Litton v Miss N. Lambert Baker.

Tuesday, April 18, at 5.45 p.m.

Court No. 1 Mrs. L. Benjamin and A. E. P. Guest v Winners Mrs. A. Bailey and A. Zimmerman against Miss P. Ward and A. V. White.

Court No. 2 F. H. Kwok and D. Chen v A. Zimmerman and J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 3 T. E. and R. O. Baker v H. Pepperell and J. Lawes.

Court No. 4 Miss M. Ribeiro and Miss M. Figueredo v Mrs. J. Horrison and Miss M. Fisher.

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Court No. 6 Mrs. G. Chuan and E. Litton v Miss P. Ward and J. V. Sellers.

Wednesday, April 19, at 5.45 p.m.

Court No. 1 R. Baker and G. Rosscoff v Winners J. Leriou and F. R. Kermer against C. R. Tierney and R. Horrison.

Court No. 2 Mrs. G. Chuan and E. Litton v Miss P. Ward and J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 3 Mrs. M. Chow and Benjamin v Winners Miss N. Lamberti Baker and Mrs. G. Getz against Mrs. J. Lawes and Mrs. E. Tebbutt.

Court No. 4 C. W. Tebbutt and R. Thompson v Winners F. H. Kwok and D. Chen against A. Zimmerman and J. V. Sellers.

Thursday, April 20, at 5.45 p.m.

Court No. 1 A. V. White v Winner F. R. Kermer against J. A. Abbas.

Court No. 2 F. H. Kwok v Winner K. M. Getz against R. N. Manley.

Court No. 3 Mrs. D. H. Pepperell v Winner Miss P. Ward against Miss M. Figueredo.

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Recreo "A" v RAF, Kai Tak, 5.45 p.m.; Umpires: WO Smith, RSM Scott.

Sunday

Recreo "A" v Dutch, Recrelo, 10.00 a.m.; Umpires: Capt. Payne, WO Smith.

KITC v Recrelo "B", RNRC No. 1, 10.00 a.m.; Umpires: Mr. Bimbo, CYS Gater.

Nonads v Army, Sookunpo, 11.15 a.m.; Umpires: Mr. Palmer, Mr. Gurevita.

RAF v Navy, Kai Tak, 11.30 a.m.; Umpires: Mr. Xavier, Sgt. Maj. Hamann.

Chand Turn v Pak, RNRC No. 1, 11.30 a.m.; Umpires: Mr. Dillon, Mukham Singh.

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Club v KITC, RNRC No. 1, 9.30 p.m.; Umpires: Mr. Xavier, WO Smith.

Nonads v YMCA, RNRC No. 2, 11.15 a.m.; Umpires: Mr. Guess, POC Bradley.

Lawn Bowls:

New scoring system in League games proposed

A proposal for a new scoring system in respect to Lawn Bowls League matches was put forward by Mr. J. E. Noronha at yesterday's Council Meeting of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association, which was presided over by Mr. J. G. Meyer.

Mr. Noronha suggested that two points be awarded for each rank win and two points for an aggregate win, making a total of eight points.

HOCKEY FIXTURES

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Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Indian Recreation Club, Club de Recrelo "Blue", Club de Recrelo "White", Craignergower Cricket Club, Police Recreation Club and Hong Kong Football Club.

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Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Kowloon Cricket Club, Indian Recreation Club, Hong Kong Cricket Club, Prison Officers Club, Talcott Club, Filpino Club, Kowloon Dock Club.

Third Division

Kowloon Cricket Club, Indian Recreation Club, Craignergower Cricket Club, Club de Recrelo "Blue", Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club, Police Recreation Club, Kowloon Dock Club and Hong Kong Football Club.

Softball:

SAINTS TOPPLE AMERICANS 4-2

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Saints toppled the Americans 4-2 before a large crowd of softball fans for a mid-week game, for the first setback of the men's singles in the Nice lawn tennis tournament, defeating Jean Paul Cauchet (France) by 6-2 and 6-1.

Other third round results included:

Jean Duecis (France) beat Bengt Axelson (Sweden) 6-0 and 6-1, Josef Palinda (Yugoslavia) beat Georges Pasquet (Monaco) by 6-3 and 6-2, Milan Laszlo (Yugoslavia) beat Milan Branovicek (Yugoslavia) by 8-10, 6-0 and 6-1.

Violette Ribolo (Switzerland) beat Ellane Stizler (France) by 6-3 and 6-2 in the third round of the women's event.—Reuter.

BRITISH OPEN SQUASH RACKETS CHAMPIONSHIPS

London, April 12. Vladimir Cernik, former Czechoslovak Davis Cup player, today qualified-for-the-fourth-round-of the men's singles in the Nice lawn tennis tournament, defeating Jean Paul Cauchet (France) by 6-2 and 6-1.

A feature of the game was that the two well-known slugging outfitts were unable to collect their usual quota of aces. The Americans only managed two blows while the Saints garnered four.

Sherry Bucks was the winning hurlier and walked two, while Bill Schulte of the Americans issued two passes. No one was struckout in this crucial game.

Costly infield error

The first two innings passed without anyone scoring, but a costly infield error on the part of the Saints paved the way for a Yankee tally when Schulte hit safely.

The Americans failed to score any more during the whole game, but the Saints were hand-cuffed for five chapters before they broke into the scoring column in the sixth chapter,

when Art Ozorki walked and Showboat hit in the clutch.

A last inning stand saw George Souza getting on base via four walks, Souza stole second while Stan Leonard popped out.

With one away, the Saints built their strategy on a daring game by drawing in the infield on a fake bunt and Souza sneaked third to score the equalizer on Russell's grounder to third. Russell eventually scored to put the Saints ahead when Hal Wingate singled.

The referee blew, and there were shouts of "Penalty!" And when the ball was placed before they broke into the scoring column in the sixth chapter,

they were unable to collect their usual quota of aces. The Americans only managed two blows while the Saints garnered four.

Obstruction

The incident came during the Cup replay between Glasgow Rangers and Raith Rovers, when the Raith centre-half put himself between the ball and the Rangers' inside-right, who was chasing it.

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The answer

The confusion probably comes because there is no punishment laid down for it as such. Law 12 says only that a player who is obstructing can be charged from behind, though not dangerously, and that if the goalkeeper is obstructing he can be charged even if he is in front of the ball.

Mention just now of the goalkeeper brings out another point often misunderstood, and that is that the goalkeeper is not "sacred" at all times.

Outside his goal-area he has no more protection than any other player and can be charged fairly, even when not in possession of the ball, provided he and his opponent are within playing distance of the ball and are trying to play the ball.

Inside his goal